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DIFFERENT AVERAGE COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 4) mailed 23 April 2003, please reconsider the Claims in the above identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Claims 1-20 are pending and stand rejected. Applicants respectfully traverse all rejections.

Amendments

Please amend Claim 1 as the accompanying pages "Current Claims" illustrate. Support for new limitation (c) is on page 5, lines 12-18 and for new limitation (d) is on page 9, lines 23-35. These additional limitations serve to better define the invention. Support for specifying that the panel has an edge containing a panel domain extending through the thickness of the panel at that edge is on page 5, lines 33-34; page 11, lines 18-20; and all of the figures.

Please delete Claims 13 and 14.

Please add new Claims 21 and 22. Support for Claim 21 is on page 11, line 18 in combination with the figures. Support for Claim 22 is on page 5, lines 33-35 and all of the figures.